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MEANDERING DISCHARGE PATH AND
MANUFACTURING OF THE SAME

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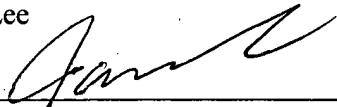
Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 62-278749 w/English abstract
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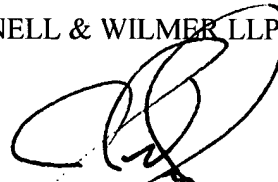


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